

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

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Re: EPA Acknowledgment Addendum to Second Installation-Wide Five Year Review

Report, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, September 2017

Dear Ms. Ghebresllassie:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has conducted a review of the above document. The principle issues identified in the Five-Year Review was "Determination of protectiveness is deferred, pending additional sampling to address the potential for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in groundwater at OU 1, OU 2, and OU 3 at the time the Second Five-Year Review was signed.

Based on the results of the Addendum, the protectiveness determination can be changed to "Currently Protective" for all three OU's, and the Site overall.

If you would like to discuss this, or require clarification please contact me at (206) 553-1478 or cora.christopher@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Christopher Cora Remedial Project Manager

cc: Jason Cook, Washington Department of Ecology

